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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Russell E. Shetler, Jr., et al.

Serial No.: 10/007,273

Confirmation No.: 3041

Filed: October 26, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

For: Uninterruptible Power Supply

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Examiner: Not Assigned

Atty. Dkt. No.: 11564.0028.NPUS01

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### PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

A Notice to File Missing Pats of Non-provisional Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) for the above-captioned application was mailed on January 8, 2002, requiring the oath or declaration of the inventors be furnished with the associated surcharge. One of the joint co-inventors, Mr. Andrew Thomas Margraff, was an employee of the Assignee, Liebert Corporation, at the time the invention was made; however, Mr. Margraff is no longer employed by Liebert Corporation.

Attempts to secure the Mr. Margraff's execution of the declaration have resulted in his refusal to sign. A declaration including the other inventors' signatures has already been filed.

The inventors are obligated to assign the invention to Liebert Corporation by virtue of their employment contracts with Liebert Corporation. Therefore, Liebert Corporation hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(b) and 35 U.S.C. 118 to execute the declaration for the above-identified application on behalf of and as agent for the inventor.

The following documents are filed in support of this petition:

- Declaration of inventorship by Liebert Corporation made on behalf of Mr. Margraff;
- 2. Statement by Liebert Corporation establishing proprietary interest; and
- 3. Declaration of Mr. Billy C. Allen III regarding inventor's refusal to sign.

The last known addresses of the non-signing inventor is as follows:

Andrew Thomas Margraff 7621 Central College Road New Albany, OH 43054

The Petition Fee of \$130.00 is to be charged Howrey Simon Arnold & White Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11564.0028.NPUS01. Should any other fees or refunds be deemed necessary for any reason relating to this document, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fee from or credit said refund to Howrey Simon Arnold & White Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11564.0028.NPUS01.

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Applicant requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application.

To facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper,
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner directly contact the undersigned by telephone
to further the discussion.

To promote the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is authorized to contact the undersigned by electronic mail. Please address all e-mail to: allenb@howrey.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

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Billy C. Allen III

Registration No. 46,147

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Inventor's Declaration Made on Behalf of a Non-signing Inventor In Support Of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

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- I, Steven M. Madara hereby declare that:
- 1. I am authorized by the following person or juristic entity with sufficient proprietary interest (see Statement establishing proprietary interest filed herewith):

Liebert Corporation 1050 Dearborn Drive P.O. Box 29186 Columbus, Ohio 43229

2. I employed by Liebert Corporation. My position is Vice President— Environmental Engineering.

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3. By virtue of Liebert Corporation's proprietary interest, I sign this declaration on behalf of, and as agent for Andrew Thomas Margraff, a non-signing inventor.

- 4. Upon information and belief, I aver those facts that the inventor is required to state, 37 C.F.R §1.64(b). Namely, that:
  - (a) The inventor's name, last known residential and post office addresses and citizenship are as follows

Full Name:

Andrew Thomas Margraff

Residence Address:

7621 Central College Road
New Albany, Ohio 43054

New Albany, Ohio 43054

United States of America

Post Office Address:

same as residence address

Citizenship:

United States of America

- (b) I believe that Andrew Thomas Margraff was an original, joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in U.S. Application Serial No. 10/007,273; filed October 26, 2001 and entitled "Uninterruptible Power Supply".
- (c) I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the aboveidentified specification, including the claims.
- (d) I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.



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- (e) I hereby claim priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119 to U.S. provisional application number 60/244,005 filed on October 27, 2000.
- (f) I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, which became available between the filing date of the international application and the national filing date of this application.
- I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.
- 5. I hereby appoint Robert J.M cAugham, Jr., Reg. No. 36,599 and Billy C. Allen III, Reg. No. 46,147, each an attorney of the firm of HOWREY SIMON ARNOLD & WHITE, LLP, as Liebert Corporation's attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute the application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith, and to receive any Letters Patent, and for one year after issuance of such Letters Patent to file any request for a certificate of correction that may be deemed appropriate. Please direct all correspondence to:



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Billy C. Allen III Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP 750 Bering Dr. Houston, Texas 77057 (713)-787-1448.

July 2,2002

Date

Vice President—Environmental Engineering

Liebert Corporation

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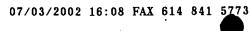
STATEMENT ESTABLISHING PROPRIETARY INTEREST IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

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- I, Steven M. Madara, Vice President-Environmental Engineering, Liebert Corporation, am the person signing the declaration on the above identified application on behalf of the inventor, Andrew Thomas Margraff, and make this statement as to the facts establishing the proprietary interest of Liebert Corporation.
  - I have read the above-identified specification and claims. 1.
- In accordance with Andrew Thomas Margraff's signed contract of employment, 2. the Mr. Margraff has agreed to vest any invention conceived during his period of employment to Liebert Corporation. Copies of the signed contract of employment are attached as Exhibit A.
- Based on my first hand knowledge and based on information and belief made after a reasonable inquiry and review of the materials available to me, I hereby state that the inventor, Andrew Thomas Margraff, made his inventive contributions to the above-identified invention while in the employ of Liebert Corporation, and that the invention was made in the course of the

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inventors' normal duties. In accordance with the terms of Mr. Margraff's signed contract of employment, Mr. Margraff has agreed to vest the invention in Liebert Corporation.

- 4. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, I hereby state that the evidentiary documents with respect to Liebert Corporation ownership have been reviewed and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, equitable title is in the assignee seeking to take this action.
- 5. I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

TULY 2, 2002

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Vice President—Environmental Engineering

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**DIRECT DIAL 713-268-1388** FILE 11564.0028.NPUS01

May 22, 2002

Certified Mail No. P 520 455 844 Return Receipt Requested

Mr. Andy Margraff 7621 Central College Road New Albany, OH 43054

Re:

U.S. Patent Application 10/007,273 filed October 26, 2001 and entitled

"Uninterruptible Power Supply" by Russell E. Shetler, Jr., et al.

Dear Mr. Margraff:

Enclosed please find a copy of the identified patent application, including a 67-page specification, 38 figures, 19 claims and an abstract, which names you as a co-inventor. Also enclosed is an inventor's declaration for the application and an assignment of the application to Liebert Corporation.

Pursuant to paragraph 5 of your "Trade Secret and Confidential Information Agreement" with Liebert, a copy of which is enclosed, please execute the declaration and assignment and return these documents to me at your earliest convenience. To assist you in this, a pre-paid Federal Express envelope addressed to me is enclosed.

These documents must be filed in the Patent Office by June 8, 2002, so your prompt attention is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely.

Billy C. Allen III

BCA/tfh **Enclosures** 

cc: Robert B. Miller, Esq. (w/o encls.)

Robert J. McAughan, Jr., Esq. (w/o encls.)



#### DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or the below named inventors are the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Uninterruptible Power Supply**, the Specification of which:

	is attached hereto.	
$\boxtimes$	was filed on October 26,	2001 as Application Serial No. 10/007,273

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent, United States provisional application(s), or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent, United States provisional application, or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

	PRIORITY APPLIC	Y APPLICATION(S)		
60/244,005	U.S. Provisional	October 27, 2000	Claimed Yes	
(Number)	(Country)	(Date Filed)	Yes/No.	
(Number)	(Country)	(Date Filed)	Yes/No	

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, which become available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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#### **ASSIGNMENT**

FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, do hereby:

SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to Liebert Corporation (the "Assignee"), having a place of business at 1050 Dearborn Dr., Columbus, Ohio, 43229, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, Serial No. 10/007,273 which has been filed on October 26, 2001 and is entitled "Uninterruptible Power Supply", such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such application in the United States;

AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States and foreign patents granted on such improvements to the Assignee;

WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been or will be made to others by the undersigned, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

COVENANT, when requested and at the expense of the Assignee, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all such improvements; execute all rightful oaths, declarations, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to the Assignee all facts known to the undersigned relating to such improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which the Assignee shall consider desirable for vesting title to such improvements in the Assignee, and for securing, maintaining and enforcing proper patent protection for such improvements;

TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.





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# TRADE SECRET AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AGREEMENT

his Agreement, made and entered into in Columbus, Ohio on the day of was c
99_5 ("Agreemer.t"), by and between Liebert Corporation ("Liebert"), an Ohio corporation, and
一 ("Employee"), an employee of Liebert Corporation.

## WITNESSETH:

Employee acknowledges that he desires to be employed, and remain employed, by Liebert in a capacity in which he may receive, have access to, or contribute to confidential, proprietary information or trade secrets (herein referred to collectively as "Confidential Information"). In consideration of his initial employment, his continued employment, and being given access to Confidential Information, Employee agrees to the following:

- As used in this Agreement, Confidential Information includes: (1)
  - the whole or any portion or phase of any scientific or technical information, design, process, (a) procedure, formula, or improvement which has not been published or disseminated, or otherwise become a matter of general public knowledge; **(b)**
  - the whole or any portion or phase of any business plans, financial information, purchasing data, supplier data, accounting data, or other financial information which has not been published or disseminated, or otherwise become a matter of general public knowledge;
  - the whole or any portion or phase of any research and development information, manufacturing (c) procedures or processes, or other engineering information which has not been published or disseminated, or otherwise become a matter of general public knowledge; and (d)
  - The whole or any portion or phase of any marketing or sales information, sales records, customer lists, process, sales projections or other sales information which has not been published or disseminated, or otherwise become a matter of general public knowledge; (e) trade secrets, as defined by the law of Ohio.
- (2) Employee acknowledges that all information, whether falling within the above definition or otherwise, shall be presumed to be Confidential Information if Liebert takes measures designed to prevent it, in the ordinary course of business, from being available to persons other than those selected by Liebert to have
- (3) All information disclosed to Employee or to which he obtains access, during the period of his employment, which he has reasonable basis to believe to be Confidential Information, or which he has reasonable basis to believe Liebert treats as being Confidential Information, shall be presumed to be

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- (4) Except as required in his duties at Liebert, Employee will never, either during his employment by Liebert or thereafter, use for disclose any Confidential Information, as defined above. Upon termination of his employment/contract with Liebert, all records of Confidential Information, including but not limited to, all notes, memos, plans, records, letters, reports and other tangible materials, including copies thereof in his possession, whether prepared by him or by others, shall be left with Liebert. Upon request at any time during the term of employment, Employee shall disclose to Liebert the names and addresses of any persons or entities to whom any disclosure has been made and shall state to Liebert what disclosures have been made to such persons or entities.
- Employee agrees to communicate to Liebert, promptly and fully, and to assign to Liebert all inventions, and technical or business innovations, developed or conceived solely by the Employee, or jointly with others, during the term of his employment, which are within the scope of Liebert's business, or which were developed on company time, or which utilized company materials or information. Employee further agrees to execute all necessary papers, and otherwise to assist Liebert, at Liebert's sole expense, to obtain patents or other legal protection as Liebert deems fit. As to any such inventions and technical or business innovations, said inventions and innovations are to be the property of Liebert, whether or not patented, copyrighted or published.
- (6) Employee further agrees and understands that there are significant business reasons for entering into this Agreement and that this Agreement is necessary to protect legitimate business interests of Liebert.
- (7) Employee arknowledges that a breach of this Agreement may result in irreparable and continuing damage to Liebert's business for which there is no adequate remedy at law. Employee further agrees that in the event of any breach of this Agreement, Liebert and its successors and assigns shall be entitled to injunctive relief and to such other and further relief as may be proper.
- (8) By entering into this Agreement, Employee acknowledges that he is subject to the jurisdiction of both the federal and state court systems in Ohio.
- (9) Employee understands and agrees that because Liebert engages in business operations throughout the United States, in all matters concerning the validity, interpretation, performance, effect or otherwise of this Agreement, the laws of the State of Ohio shall govern.
- (10) Any actions or proceedings instituted under this Agreement with respect to any matters arising under or growing out of this Agreement, shall be brought and tried only in courts located in the County of Franklin, State of Ohio. Employee expressly waives his right to cause any such actions or proceedings to be brought or tried elsewhere.

This Agreement has been duly signed by the parties hereto on the day and year first written above.

Employee

Liebert Corporation

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Inventor's Full Name:	Mohammad Nanda Rahman		Marwali
Inventor's Signature:			
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Inventor's Full Name:	Andrew Thomas			Margraff
Inventor's Signature:				
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DECLARATION OF BILLY C. ALLEN III
IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

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I, Billy C. Allen III, hereby declare the following:

- 1. I am currently employed as an Associate of the law firm Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP, which serves as intellectual property counsel for Liebert Corporation.
- 2. On or about May 22, 2002, I signed a letter addressed to Mr. Andrew Thomas Margraff including an inventor's declaration and power of attorney and assignment documents requesting review and execution by Mr. Margraff. The letter also included a complete copy of the above-captioned patent application and a copy of Mr. Margraff's "Trade Secret and Confidential Information Agreement" with Liebert Corporation. The letter to Mr. Margraff was sent by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, to the address listed in Mr. Margraff's personnel files at Liebert Corporation. Copies of the May 22, 2002 letter and the enclosed documents (except for the patent application) are attached as Exhibits A and B, respectively.
- 3. The Return Receipt from the letter identified above has since been returned to my office. The return receipts indicate that the package was received by Deanna Margraff on May 28, 2002. A copy of the return receipt is attached as Exhibit C.

- 4. On or about May 29, 2002, I received a telephone call from Mr. Margraff. During the course of this telephone call, he informed me that he would not sign the Declaration unless the signature page of the declaration was amended to reflect his full legal name. Mr. Margraff indicated that if I would revise the Declaration to include his full legal name and fax it to him at 614-785-7062, he would execute the Declaration and return it to me.
- 5. On or about May 29, 2002, I faxed to Mr. Margraff, at the number he provided, a declaration signature page revised to reflect his full legal name. A copy of this facsimile transmission and the transmission confirmation page from my fax machine are attached as Exhibit D. To date I have received no reply to this facsimile.
- 6. During the May 29, 2002 telephone call, Mr. Margraff further informed me that he had discussed my letter and the documents with counsel provided by his present employer. Mr. Margraff further informed me that his counsel had advised him not to execute the assignment to Liebert Corporation unless various changes were made to the assignment document. Because the Texas Disciplinary Rule of Professional Conduct 4.02 prohibits direct contact by attorneys with parties represented by counsel, I informed Mr. Margraff that I could not discuss these issues with him and would need to contact his attorney directly. Mr. Margraff would not provide his attorney's contact information to me on the telephone, but he did indicate that he would either send me such contact information or would instruct his attorney to contact me directly. To date I have neither received contact information from Mr. Margraff nor have I been contacted in any way by anyone claiming to represent Mr. Margraff.
- 7. Based on the facts stated herein, I have concluded that Mr. Margraff has refused to execute an inventor's Declaration in the captioned patent application.
- 8. I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

By

Billy C. Allen III

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